



Dear Members of the Connecticut General Assembly Committee on Human Services

My name is Maria Ayala, I am an immigrant from Nicaragua and I have lived in Bridgeport with my family for 5 years.

I am in support of H.B. 6616 AN ACT RELATING TO THE EXPANSION OF HUSKY HEALTH BENEFITS TO THOSE INELIGIBLE DUE TO THEIR IMMIGRATION STATUS . .

since I arrived in this country, the well-being of my children is important, it has been a challenge having access to adequate medical care or seeking resources to help my children.

I have 4 children of which only one has Husky care because she was born in the United States.

But for me, my husband and 3 other children, it has been very difficult to move on. because I have 2 twin children with special needs who need constant care and due to my immigration status they have not had adequate care. They need to see a dental specialist due to their bad teeth and do other routine exams to see how serious is their problem of growth syndrome and affecting they denture .

During these 5 years I have taken them to the Optimum Community Clinic where they apply for a discount scale and pay for their appointments \$30-\$40 each time they go but they cannot afford referrals or medicines or dental coverage because the help is little and they need referrals to specialist the I can't take them to follow up because I can't afford the high costs.

I am very happy because with the new Husky expansion program for children my three children will be able to benefit because their ages are 11 and 8 years old, but the fight does not end there, we need it to be extended to more ages, because if we have happy children who need to a healthy families like their parents , grandparents, uncles.aunties friends, healthy godparents.

I support HB 6616 and urge the Human Services and Appropriations Committee and Governor Lamont to support this bill that would provide access to healthcare for all regardless of immigration status.

Thanks for your time,
Maria Adela, leader of the Make The Road CT



Estimados Miembros del Comité de Servicios Humanos de la Asamblea General de Connecticut

Mi Nombre es Maria Ayala soy inmigrante de Nicaragua y Vivo en Bridgeport con mi familia desde hace 5 años .

Estoy a favor de H.B. 6616 UNA LEY RELATIVA A LA EXPANSIÓN DE LOS BENEFICIOS DE SALUD DE HUSKY A AQUELLOS NO ELEGIBLES DEBIDO A SU ESTATUS MIGRATORIO. .

Para mi como el bienestar de mis hijos es importante desde que llegues este pais me e privado de tener acceso a cuidado medico adecuado o buscar recursos para ayudar a mis hijos Tengo 4 hijos los cuales solo una tiene cuidado Husky porque nacio estados unidos .

Pero para mi ,esposo y otros 3 hijos a sido muy dificil seguir adelante porque tengo 2 hijos gemelos con necesidades especiales las cuales nesecitan tener cuidado constante y debido a mi estatus migratoria no an tenido el cuidado adecuado .Ellos necesitan ver un especialista dental tiene su dentadura mal y hacer otros exmanes rutinarios para ver que tan grave es su proble de sindrome de crecimiento .

Durante estos 5 años los e llevado clinica comunitarias optimun donde aplique para escala de descuento pago por su citas \$30-\$40 cada vez van pero no puede costear referidos o medicamentos o cobertura dental porque es poco la ayuda y ellos necesitan referido a especialistas .y no los puedo llevar a su seguimiento porque no puedo pagar los altos costos .

Yo estoy muy Feliz porque con el nuevo programa de expansion Husky para niños mis tres hijos se podran beneficiar porque su edades 11 y 8 años.pero la lucha no termina alli necesiatmos que se extienda a mas edades porque si tenemos niños felices que necesiatn tener padres ,abuelos ,tioe ,amigos ,padrinos saludables .

Yo apoyo a HB 6616_ e insto al comité de Servicios humanos y apropiaciones y Governor Lamont que apoyen este proyecto de ley que daria acceso a salud para todos independientemente de su estado migratorio.

Gracias por tu tiempo,
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